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PATENT**Amendments to the Claims:**

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

**Listing of Claims:**

1. (Currently Amended) A method for monitoring a ~~obtaining~~ location information for of a wireless unit of interest in a wireless network across multiple wireless networks, comprising the steps of:

providing a system operative to procure location information for a wireless unit of interest from at least one any of multiple location information source sources associated with the wireless network any of multiple wireless networks;

establishing an interface for communications between said system and an entity requesting location information for said wireless unit of interest, wherein said interface defines a standardized format for requesting and providing said location information;

verifying authorization for said entity to obtain location information for said wireless unit of interest independent of location finding preferences of said wireless unit of interest;

obtaining, from said system, location information for said wireless unit of interest when said wireless unit of interest is within any of multiple location zones covered by at least one of the multiple wireless networks;

analyzing the location information to monitor a location of the wireless unit over time; and

providing said monitored location information to a recipient associated with said request.

2. (Original) The method of Claim 1, wherein said obtaining step further comprises: overriding a privacy setting associated with said wireless unit of interest.

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3. (Original) The method of Claim 1, wherein obtaining is performed free of said wireless unit of interest being notified of said location information being procured.

4. (Currently Amended) The method of Claim 1, wherein said establishing step allows a requesting entity to define at least one trigger event for triggering the ~~obtaining of said location information~~ monitoring of the location of the wireless unit of interest.

5. (Currently Amended) The method of Claim 4, wherein said trigger event comprises at least one of:

a schedule;

said wireless unit one of sending and receiving wireless communications; and

said wireless unit being identified relative to an area of interest.

6. (Original) The method of Claim 5, wherein said establishing step allows a requesting entity to define at least one said area of interest.

7. (Original) The method of Claim 6, wherein said area of interest comprises at least one of:

an address;

a point and radius;

another wireless unit; and

a geographic boundary.

8. (Currently Amended) The method of Claim 1, wherein: ~~said identifying step further comprises:~~

said step of providing a system operative to provide procure location information for a said wireless unit of interest further comprises procuring location information from at least first and second location information sources ~~associated with the wireless network~~, wherein said

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first and second location information sources employ first and second different location finding technologies.

9. (Original) The method of Claim 8, wherein said system is operative to aggregate information from said at least first and second different location finding technologies to enhance the accuracy of said location information.

10. (Original) The method of Claim 1, wherein said verifying authorization step comprises verifying court ordered authorization.

11. (Currently Amended) The method of Claim 1, wherein said step of providing said monitored location information to a recipient further comprises providing said location information to a recipient at a location other than that associated with said requesting entity.

12. (Original) The method of Claim 1, further comprising:  
comparing said location information to at least one location of interest to monitor the movement of said wireless unit relative to said point of interest.

13. (Original) The method of Claim 12, further comprising:  
upon an uncertainty associated with said location information overlapping said at least one location of interest, notifying a third party that said wireless unit is proximate to said at least one location of interest.

14. (Original) The method of Claim 13, wherein said third party is a law enforcement agency.

15. (Currently Amended) A method for obtaining monitoring a location information for of a wireless unit of interest in a wireless network across multiple wireless networks, comprising the steps of:

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providing a system in communication with a first wireless carrier network having a first subscriber set and a second carrier network having a second subscriber set, wherein said system is operative to provide location information for subscribers of ~~each~~ either of said carrier networks;

receiving a location information inquiry for a wireless unit of interest, wherein said inquiry requests said location information be provided independent of any location-finding preferences of said wireless unit of interest;

obtaining multiple instances of said location information from said system independent of said location-finding preferences when said wireless unit of interest is within any of multiple location zones covered by at least one of the first and second wireless carrier networks;

analyzing the multiple instances of location information to monitor a location of the wireless unit over time; and

providing said monitored location information to a location associated with said request.

16. (Original) The method of Claim 15, wherein said obtaining step further comprises:

overriding a privacy setting associated with said wireless unit of interest.

17. (Currently Amended) The method of Claim 15, wherein said obtaining step is performed free of said wireless unit of interest being notified of said location information being procured.

18. (Currently Amended) The method of Claim 15, wherein said obtaining step further comprises obtaining location information for a said wireless unit of interest from at least first and second location information sources, wherein said first and second location information sources employ first and second different location finding technologies.

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19. (Original) The method of Claim 18, wherein said system is operative to aggregate information from said at least first and second different location finding technologies to enhance the accuracy of said location information.

20. (Original) The method of Claim 15, further comprising:  
verifying authorization associated with said inquiry for said entity to obtain said location information for said wireless unit of interest free of any location-finding preferences of said wireless unit of interest.

21. (Original) The method of Claim 15, further comprising:  
establishing an interface for communications between said system and an entity requesting location information for said wireless unit of interest, wherein said interface defines a standardized format for requesting and providing said location information.

22. (Currently Amended) A method for monitoring a location of information ~~for~~ a wireless unit of interest ~~in a wireless network~~ across multiple wireless networks, comprising the steps of:

accessing a system operative to provide location information for wireless units ~~within a wireless network~~ across multiple wireless networks;  
identifying a wireless unit of interest;  
monitoring a location of the wireless unit of interest over time;  
defining at least one trigger event the occurrence of which will result in the provisioning of location information for said wireless unit of interest when said wireless unit of interest is within any of multiple location zones covered by at least one of the multiple wireless networks, wherein said location information is provided independent of any location-finding preferences of said wireless unit of interest; and  
receiving said location information upon the occurrence of said event.

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23. (Original) The method of Claim 22, wherein said obtaining step further comprises: overriding a privacy setting associated with said wireless unit of interest.

24. (Currently Amended) The method of Claim 22, wherein said obtaining step is performed free of said wireless unit of interest being notified of said location information being procured.

25. (Currently Amended) The method of Claim 22, wherein said trigger event comprises at least one of:

a schedule;

said wireless unit one of sending and receiving wireless communications; and

said wireless unit being identified relative to an area of interest.

26. (Original) The method of Claim 25, further comprising: defining said at least one said area of interest.

27. (Original) The method of Claim 26, wherein said area of interest comprises at least one of:

an address;

a point and radius;

another wireless unit; and

a geographical boundary.

28. (Currently Amended) The method of Claim 22, wherein said accessing step further comprises accessing a system operative to obtain location information for said wireless unit of interest from at least first and second location information sources associated with said ~~first and second location information sources~~ multiple wireless networks, wherein said first and second location information sources employ first and second different location finding technologies.

29. (Original) The method of Claim 22, further comprising:

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comparing said location information to at least one location of interest to monitor the movement of said wireless unit relative to said point of interest.

30. (Original) The method of Claim 29, further comprising:  
upon an uncertainty associated with said location information overlapping said at least one location of interest, notifying a party that said wireless unit is proximate to said at least one location of interest.

Claims 31-34. (Canceled)